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SUBJECT: CSCE: CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES: DUTCH "QUOTA"
PROPOSAL FOR ADVANCE NOTIFICATIMN OF MANEUVERS

1. DURING NATO CAUCUS OF MILITARY SECURITY REPS ON FEB 25, CANADIAN REP REPORTED HE HAD BEEN ASKED POINTEDLY BY SWISS REP WHETHER THERE WAS NOW A DANGER OF AN EAST-WEST "DEAL" ON ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF MANEUVERS, IN WHICH THE NEUTRALS WOULD BE LEFT OUT IN THE COLD. CANADIAN REP SAID HE WAS MYSTIFIED BY THIS QUESTION, UNTIL HE DISCOVERED FROM OTHER SOURCES THAT THE DUTCH IDEA ADVANCED IN FEB 7 NAC HAD LEAKED, AT LEAST TO THE NEUTRALS. US REP SAID WE HAD HAD SAME QUESTION FROM THE SWISS, AND SAME REACTION OF PUZZLEMENT, BUT THAT WE HAD REASSURED SWISS THAT WE WERE AWARE OF NO CHANGE IN GENERAL ALLIED VIEW THAT THERE SHOULD BE OBJECTIVE PARAMETERS FOR ADVANCE NOTIFICATION AND THAT NOTIFICATION SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO ALL CSCE PARTICIPANTS.

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2. COMMENT: CANADIAN REP IS CORRECT IN SAYING THAT

DUTCH IDEA HAS LEAKED TO NEUTRALS. OUR INFORMATION FROM
A RELIABLE NEUTRAL SOURCE IS THAT DUTCH THEMSELVES HAVE
SUGGESTED THAT NEUTRALS MIGHT FLOAT THE IDEA. WE FIND
THIS SURPRISING ON PART OF DUTCH, BUT WE WILL
SIMPLY STATE, IF ASKED SPECIFICALLY ABOUT
DUTCH IDEA, THAT IT DOES NOT REPRESENT US VIEW OR ANY
AGREED VIEW OF NATO ALLIES. DALE

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